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LINDLEY KITTS SUCCUMBS AT TOWN TALK

NEVADA CITY: Lindley Marian Kitts, who came from Woodland, Yolo County to attend the funeral of his mother Mrs. Mary Rofford Kitts, became ill here, and Sunday morning succumbed at the Kitts home on Town Talk.

Surviving brothers and sisters are Joseph, Roy and Charles Kitts, all of Town Talk. Daryl Kitts of Grass Valley and Mrs. J. W. Cloud, Sacramento.

Lindley Kitts was born at Town Talk 50 ears ago. Funeral services will be held today at 2 p. m. in the Hooper and Weaver Mortuary with Rev. Frank Buck in charge. Interment will be in the Masonic Cemetery, Nevada City.

ITALIAN BELLE ARRIVING TO WED EX-SOLDIER HERE

NEVADA CITY: A telegram received by Leroy Hoskins states that his bride to be, Miss Carmen Petrusig had arrived in New York from Gorizio, Italy.

The romance began in the summer of 1944, when Hoskins, serving with the U. S. Army was stationed at Gorizio. A bill passed in congress in July last summer, permitted the ethbroted of enlisted men to enter the United States but due to crowded steamship conditions Miss Petrusig was unable to obtain passage until a few days ago. She is now speeding west by train.

BRIDE TO BE

Miss Carmen Petrusig of Gorizio, Italy, now speeding westward to marry Leroy Hoskins, veteran who served in Italy during the war.

NEVADA CITY CAGE SQUADS GUESTS OF ELKS

NEVADA CITY: The Nevada City Elks will entertain at dinner the Nevada City high school A and B basketball squads this evening in the Elks Home.

The Elks will announce the name of the year's outstanding player. The Nevada City A team closed the basketball season in second place in the Sierra Foothill League, with Grass Valley again at top place. During the second half of the league schedule the B quint showed much improvement but did not equal the record of the A team.

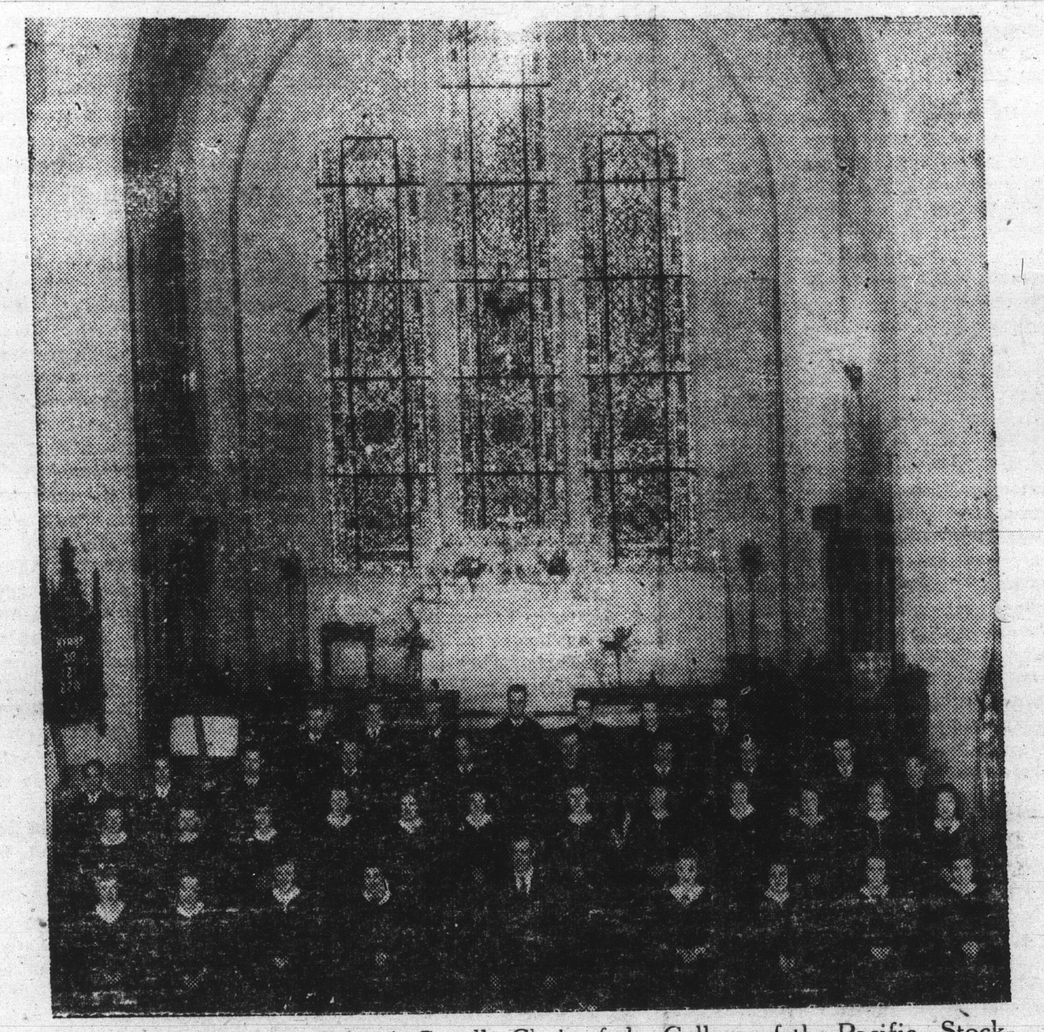
J. F. Siegfried will be chairman of the dinner tonight. He has asked all high school alumni formerly on the basketball squad and now members of the Elks Lodge to assist the entertainment committee. The dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m.

ST. PARTICK'S BALL

NEVADA CITY: The annual St. Patrick's Day ball was given last Saturday night in the Elks Ball room sponsored by St Canice Parish.

The entertainment program given before dancing began at 9 p. m. featured Frans Luschen who played several selections on the cello.

A CAPELLA CHOIR OF THE COLLEGE OF THE PACIFIC



This is a photograph of the A Capella Choir of the College of the Pacific,, Stockton, which will give a concert next Wednesday night in Methodist Church here. The picture was taken before the great chancel window of the Morris Chapel on the College of the Pacific campus. J. Russell Bodley is director.

A CAPELLA CHOIR TO SING HERE WED. MARCH 26

NEVADA CITY: Members of the A Capella Choir from the College of the Pacific will be guests overnight next week of Methodist Church members.

The choir will give a concert in the Methodist Church on Wednesday night, March 26.

Mrs. Mary Havey in charge of arrangements, announced that the following have opened their homes to the student singers: Mesdames Carl Libbey, H. A. Curnow, Esther Tremaine, Leland Smith,, Joseph W. Day, P. N. Phariss, Edward Granholm, Lloyd Geist, E. A. Frantz,, C. R. Murchie, Carl J. Tobiassen, Hal Draper, Ida Magonigal, Byron Brock and others.

The annual spring tour of the College of the Pacific A Capella Choir, a 2500 mile trek through three states, will bring the noted group of forty two unaccompanied young voices to Nevada City on March 26. Under direction of J. Russell Bodley, the choir sings a concert engagement at the Methodist Church.

The best in classical, traditional, folk and modern choral composition is represented in the program for the concert here including Bach, Tschaikowsky, Kodaly, Baldwin, and two numbers by director Bodley, ranked as an outstanding western choral leader and composer. Two accomplished instrumental soloists from the choir, violinist Donna Perrott and cellist Marilyn Berger, will be presented between choir groups.

Critical acclaim from the western press, principal music educators, and radio officials have established the Pacific choir as among top American choir groups. The group has often been heard on radio networks and annually sings for the famed Easter Sunrise Service at Mirror Lake in Yosemite Valley. Their singing is marked by striking precision and tonal effects that thrill audiences with their brilliance range and color.

The personnel of the choir represents 25 California communities from Los Angeles to Nevada City. Among many students in the 1947 group are veterans of military service and pre-war members of the popular ensemble.

The choir tour will be climaxed at Salt Lake City where Bodley's singers will appear by request to sing for the California-Western Music Educators Conference. They also have an engagement to perform in the famed Mormon Tabernacle.

GOLD AS MONETARY BASE CHAMPIONED BY S. AFRICAN MINE DIRECTOR AT MINERAL RESOURCES MEETING

NEW YORK: Challenging the many prophets of recent ears who hold that gold has outlived its days and that its monetary use is now an anachronism P. M. Anderson, manager-director of the Union Corp., Johannesburg, South Africa, said that the demand for gold is greater than ever before although stocks are held the largest in history.

Asserting that nearly all governments have gone to great lengths to suppress any demand for gold that might be made by the public, he said that they had at the same time reserved to themselves the right to hold gold and lost no opportunity of satisfing their own demands.

Mr. Anderson made these statements before the world conference on mineral resources held in conjunction with the 75th anniversary celebration of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers at the Waldorf- Astoria Hotel.

He told the gathering that where the public has been allowed to buy gold the demand has moved impressively strong.. In India, the price of gold equals about $82 an ounce having been $90 ealier in the year; in Egypt $65, $70 an ounce, having been nearly $85 an ounce and elsewhere it is even higher. In Palestine the price of gold is equivalent to $96 an ounce, and earlier had been equivalent to around $100 an ounce.

The trust of the people of Asia in gold as a treasure has not diminished, he stated. "Gold will not for a lone time lose its appeal as a treasure in these countries, and the demand will fluctuate with their level of prosperity." Mr. Anderson said. "It is not too optimistic to assume that Asia and the arts will one more absorb close on one half of the world production of gold even though the rate of production has doubled since the 1920's" he added..

India has recovered from her economic depression and is a creditor of international account instead of as for a long time past a debtor. Her people are certain to be buyers of gold in substantial amounts for a long time to come, he told the gathering. As soon as Indians gain free access to gold, their effective demand will rise over that of the 1920s China too is on the point of becoming a buyer of gold he declared. This was based on the hopes and prospects of a long period of peace for China and of capital assistance from the U. S. As a result "nothing would be more natural than that her 450 million people should develop a strong demand for both silver and gold." The Middle East too has attained new levels of prosperity and has changed from the position of debtor to creditor.

With respect to the western world as a market for the other half of the world's potential output of gold. Mr. Anderson said: "At present the appeal of gold—or to to put it differently—the mistrust of fiat mone,y is so strong that the remainder of the gold produced would find its way readily into the coffers of the public as would also a part of the gold held by the monetary authorities if the public were given access to it."

The western world and in particular Europe, has twice faced the physical destruction of war and the attendant depreciations in the value of all kinds of paper money. As a result, Mr. Anderson stated it is safety minded in monetary matters. "The public wants safety and at the same time such economy of gold as their exchange posoition requires. In my view the time will come when the public in the western world will be content once again voluntarily, and not as at present compulsory, to let their governments administer the gold stocks on their behalf, and to have this done as economically as possible.

Mr. Anderson noted that there is a rhythm in the production of gold in its relation to total gold available and to the total economic activity, which neither the ingenuity of man nor the intervention of governments has appreciably affected. "This fact continues to commend gold as a monetary medium that cannot be tampered with and is indeed a much stronger reason for its use than traditional or mythical faith in the metal, strong as these are" he said.

Citing that the output of gold during the last one hundred years has permitted the stocks available to the world to grow at an average rate of 2.5% annually at compound interest, he compared this with a rate of expansion of total world economic activity of 4% annually.

Concerning the supply of gold from South Africa's Rand mines it was estimated that output there would continue around 14 million and 15 million ounces of gold annually until 1952, after which there would be a gradual falling off. He added however that since such estimates were made the effect of the new Orang Free State gold fields might not be to increase the annual rate, but rather to delay the onset of the decline in production to a date much beyond the year 1952.

During the last three years nearly one third of the world gold production outside Russia has been bought by the general public.—Wall Street Journal.

Coroner's Jury Finds Leighton Was Killed by Drunken Driver

GRASS VALLEY: A coroner's jury sitting last night at the inquest in the death of Arthur Leighton, 62, killed in Chris Hansen's wrecking yard March 13th by a car that left the highway out of control, found that Leighton came to his death in an automobile accident as the result of being hit by a car driven by Dwight Lewis, 25, Lodi musician.

The jury found that Leighton died beause of multiple fractures. Testimony revealed tht he was struck while kneeling on the ground beside a car which he was painting. The Lewis carried him to the side of the workshop where he was pinned against the wall.

Testimony of Dr. Daniel Hirsch, who sent specimens of Lewis blood and urine to the state laboratories for analysis, was that there was a high percentage of alcohol in Lewis' body fluids.

Lewis is charged with involuntary manslaughter and his trial is set for April 7th He is at liberty on $2,500 bail. Funeral services for Leighton were held Tuesday.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTION MAY 16

NEVADA CITY: County Superintendent of Schools Walter A. Carlson announces that county wide elections of school trustees will take place May 16th.

Carlson stated that in Nevada City there will be five trustees to be elected due to a change in the school law last year. One vacancy exists due to the death of Howard A. Sturtevant a few months ago. Incumbents who may or may not seek re-election are J. Howard Penrose, Albert S. Bates, Dr. Barnard W. Hummelt and Charles P. Elliott.

On the Grass Valley school board two vacancies will occur. W. T. Terrill and John W. Martin's terms will expire..

FUNERAL YESTERDAY FOR MRS. EDITH HARVEY

GRASS VALLEY: Funeral services took place Wednesday at 10:30 a. m. in the Hooper and Weaver Mortuary for Mrs. Edith Alberta Harvey of Penn Valley, who died at the Harvey Ranch there Sunday. Rev. Jesse R. Rudkin will conduct the service. Interment will be in Elm Ridge Cemetery.

Mrs. Harvey was born 46 years ago in Gold Flat, adjacent to Nevada City, in a home now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Granholm. She leaves her husband William Harvey, two daughters, Mrs. Eva Elizabeth Hooper and Mrs. Betty Claire Webb,, two sons William J. and Elbert E. Harvey, all of Grass Valley. sisters, Mrs. Mabel Bonivert, Grass Valley, and brothers, Fred White, Sacramento and Ernest White, Woodland, and nine grandchildren.

SALVATION ARMY'S FUND DRIVE UNDERWAY

GRASS VALLEY: The Salvation Army's drive for funds opened here Monday with Victor Tamietti, American Legion Post Commander in charge..

The drive will continue for week and open in Nevada City next Monday. Quota for the county is set at $5759. Of this amount Grass Valley will be asked to contribute $3759, Nevada City $1500 and Truckee $500.

RED CROSS GOAL NEAR

GRASS VALLEY: Brooks Hartman, chairman of the Red Cross drive in Grass Valley, has reported that only $760 is needed to attain the goal of $4600 set for Grass Valley..

Drive captains were called upon to hake a last effort to get in touch with all those who missed prospective subscribers during their first canvass, and those in charge of Red Cross benefit events were asked to make their report as quickly as possible.

WILLIAM MULLIS HEADS BANNER MOUNTAIN POST

NEVADA CITY: William E. Mullis is the newly elected commander of Banner Mountain Post, VFW, chosen at Monday night's meeting and St. Patrick's Day party. He will succeed Fred C. Garrison. Installation will take place April 7th.

Harleth M. Brock was chosen senior vice commander; Kenneth Adams junior vice commander; W. W. Esterly, chaplain; Fred C. Garrison, trustee. Delegates elected to the 1947 encampment to be held in Santa Cruz, were D. Robert Paine, Fred C. Garrison, Harlath Brock and W. W. Esterly.

EMPLOYERS TO MEET TONIGHT AT BRET HARTE

GRASS VALLEY: Members of the Nevada County Employers Council will meet at 8:15 p. m. tonight at the Bret Harte Inn.. Clyde Rose, Public Relations Director of the California Association of Employers will be the guest speaker and William H. Stinson will report on the annual meeting of the association.

Recent activities and current problems of the council will be discussed.

ARRAIGNED FOR MANSLAUGHTER, OUT ON $2500 BAIL

GRASS VALLEY: D. A. Lewis, 28, Lodi musician, appeared before Justice of the Police Charles A. Morehouse Saturday for arraignment on a charge of involuntary manslaughter. Bail was fixed at $2500 surety bond which Lewis supplied.

Lewis is accused of the causing the death of Arthur Leighton, 62, last Thursday when he lost control of his car on a turn in the road in front of the Chris Hansen wrecking yard, entered the yard and collided with Leighton, pinning him against the side of the work shop.

KISTLE HELD FOR TRIAL ON CAR THEFT CHARGE

NEVADA CITY: Justice of the Peace George Gildersleeve Saturday held to answer in the superior court, Woodrow Kistle, charged with stealing an automobile belonging to George Bahr.

Witnesses heard were Chief of Police Max Solaro, Deputy Sheriff Arthur D. Pepper and George Bahr. Bail was fixed at $250.

NEVADA COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS TOTAL $419.665

NEVIADA CITY: According to figures published by the California Taxpayers Association, Nevada County will have available for expenditure on its highways this fiscal year $419,665.

The revenues consist of $68,740 from the gasoline tax, $8580 from motor vehicle fees, $6000 from fines, $31,500 from ——— taxes, $35,762 cash balance, $160,032 of federal and state money under the county highway act of 1945, $107,451 from the California Construction and employment act of 1946, and $1600 of other revenues.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Skewes-Clemo—In Nevada City, Nevada County, March 14, 1947, to Charles C. Skewes, 28 and Everill A. Clemo, 26 both of Grass Valley..

Kilby-Bennetts—In Nevada City, Nevada County, March 15, 1947, to Lloyd Nelson Kilby, 23, Hot Springs, Kansas and Darlis N. Bennetts, 24, Grass Valley.

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JUST WONDERIN'

I wonder when the swallows come
On homing pinions from the sea
If in each little feathered breast
Live magic dreams of days to be;
Of nests beneath the mission eaves,
Of poppy fields and budding flowers,
Of downy heads neath brooding wings
And summer's peaceful, sun bright hours.

This is the time. Winter goes his way, and spring comes with all her rare allurements of budding trees and flowers, the swallows return to old San Juan Capistrano.

The good people of Capistrano will celebrte the return of their little brothers of the air; bands of children will sing songs of welcome and upon this gala occasion, plentiful supplies of food and water will be provided for the homing swallows and boxes of soft mud placed at their disposal, so that they may at once, and without further effort of weary wings, begin the restoration of nests which have been damaged or torn down by winter storms.

Indeed there are "sermons in stones and books in running brooks," and in the kindiiness and understanding with which the people of Capistrano welcome the homing swallows, we are given glimpses of beauty which teach us that truly, "life may be beautiful."

When the swallows come again to Capistrano,
When their joyous, homing pinions thrill the air,
When the nests beneath the eaves with life are teeming,
And the sweet Castilian roses blossom there,
Wait for me beside the mission Carmelita,
I'll be coming by the trail that skirts the foam,
When the swallows come again to Capistrano,,
I'll be comeing too, my dear one, coming home.
When the poppies come again to Capistrano,
To mantle hills and vales with living gold,
When within the old patio stately lilies
With saintly grace their perfumed buds unfold,
When across the fields the Angelus is ringing
And the faithful bow their heads in silent prayer,
Wait for me beside the mission Carmelita,
With the sweet Castilian roses in your hair
Oh, the beauty and romance of Capistrano,
Skies of blue and fields of living gold,
Where the pearl of all the missions bides the coming
Of Saint Joseph's homing swallows as of old;
And when they come on joyous sweeping pinions,
Wheeling in above long lines of sunlit foam,
Wait for me beside the mission, Carmelita,
I'll be coming too, my dear one, coming home.

I wonder if the roses are blooming now among the ruined arches of Mission San Juan Capistrano—it would be fitting if they were for they are akin to the roses of which Father Junipero Serra once said, "the roses of California are like the roses of Castile.—Adeline Merriam Conner.

WHY NOT A UNION OF FREE DEMOCRACIES NOW, ASKS CLARENCE STREIT

In newspaper columns today I find much concern with the decision we face because of the British crisis—a crisis in our affairs that so sober an historian as Mark Sullivan puts on a par with that of Pearl Harbor.

He is right, and so is Burnst Never when he says the problem "cannot be solved simply by attempting to shore up Britain's rickety imperial structure, in Greece or anywhere. Nor is it enough to depend alone on our financial and economic might. We are not rich and strong enough for that. The only foreign policy which the United States can afford to pursue anywhere in the world is a democratic policy. To insure our interests we must first of all be true to ourselves."

Disorder and anarchy threaten in large areas of the earth." as Marquis Childs warns. Greece is a small example a mere pinpoint in the tapestry that shows the apocalyptic horseman on the not too distant horizon." But, as Walter Lippman points out, "unless we are to dissipate our efforts and fail, we must select the key points and the key countries. It is better to do all that is needed to succeed, let us say in the United Kingdom, France and western Europe, than to do a little everywhere and not enough anywhere."

A LESSON IN HISTORY

Bnt what shall we do in the key countries? By what democratic policy can we save this situation and be true to ourselves? We are not yet told, but surely we must turn back in our history to find it. And turning to it, I find an event that occurred in this month of March 158 years ago that shows how Americans can turn a crisis such as this into grandiose creation. Neglect in the press as an anniversary, in this dark March of 1947, but shining out in histor was the face that, on March 4, 1789, the few free peoples then existing in the world inaugurated the first federal union of the free, the United States of America.

We celebrate the day when 13 states signed the Declaration of Independence—and we should, because in that great document men first declared independence of man from the state and erected government unequivocally on the principles that all men are created equal and that all states are made for man's freedom. It was this that was new and distinctive in the declaration.

MARCH 4, 1789

Too many of us let this be overshadowed by the means first used to achieve these ends—the separation of colonies from the motherland, the establishment of 13 "free and independent states." History is crowded with acts of secession, the splitting of one state into many, the breaking up of empires. Yet it is this that we seem to deem our all important achievement.

The day of separation is celebrated as a holiday—but not the day when for the first time in human history, sovereign peoples of their own free will united to create a great federal republic.

March 4, the birthday of the world's first union of the free, we allow to pass unhonored, unobserved. And we wonder that a people with such a sense of values should be at such a loss today. How could a people with no better sense of where they came from know where they are headed now? Surely it is time that they cease to let their ship of state flounder so fearfully in a story sea.

Let us pause and ponder how our federal union came to be inaugurated. For it came about in a time of crisis, when economic, financial and social ills beset the world's freest peoples ah they do today. We need but approach this crisis as Washington approached the one in his day to find the way to end it, too—and to turn it, also, into a memorable achievement.

Washington saw very early that to secure freedom, peace and prosperity the people of the 13 states must change their mutual relations from a diplomatic basis—as John Adams described them—to one of organic union. He also knew that this could be achieved only in time of crisis, under pressure of necessity—and only before the pressure grew too great.

In 1785 at Mount Vernon Washington privately started the train of events that, under the pressure of increasing necessity, allowed Hamilton to prepare, at Annapolis in 1789 the calling of the convention that created our federal union.

SHAY'S REBELLION

Then came the news of Shay's rebellion against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It made influential people "more afraid of anarchy" than of union—and Washington promptly and publicly came out for the convention by agreeing to attend it as a delegate of Virginia. "'As soon as this was known," says the historian John Fiske, "there was an outburst of joy throughout the land. All at once the people began everywhere to feel an interest in the proposed convention."

The United States is the Virginia of freedom's present crisis. The British commonwealth, France, Belgium, Holland, Erie and the Scandinavian nations play today the roles that New England, Pennsylvania and the other states played in the eyes of Washington. We cannot cure their ills through diplomacy, least of all with prescriptions signed in blank. Even when filled in precisely, there are too many slips between cup and lip in diplomatic remedies.

Loans by themselves are only stopgaps. Even if they should succeed in restoring European prosperity as much as in the twenties, the end results are calamitous. There is some sense in buying, by some cheap emergency stopgaps, the little time we need to do the thing right, but we should keep clearly in mind that loans do not touch the heart of the trouble..

BRITAIN'S WEAKNESS

The root of Britain's weakness is not primarily financial or economic, nor does it lie in shrinking raw resources. It lies in Britain's political relationship to us, and so does France's. Those countries are no more over populated in comparison to their resources than are many of our 48 states. Indeed, the population of Massachusetts is a little denser than Britain, and Rhode Island's is 30 per cent greater per square mile. Connecticut's population is 50 per cent denser than France's and New York more than equals France in this regard.

No amount of foreign loans, and no amount of domestic socialism would enable Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York to maintain their present populations at their present standards on the basis on which we are now trying to help Britain and France—as separate, soverign states, each with its own currency, tariffs, army, foreign office. All our states, whether thickly or thinly settled and whether rich or poor in raw resources, live at the world's highest standards primarily because of a political factor. Federal union makes the wealth of each the wealth of all and the burden of each a burden shared by all.

HOW TO UNITE

Some now propose that we seek union by inviting England to become one of our states. Let us remember that Washington did not offer even Delaware union with Viriinia as a ocunty in it; he asked it to join equally with Virginia in becoming founder states of a greater republic. Let the United States make as wise an offer to the other democracies now.

Even less than Virginia could afford to abandon Massachusetts and Pennsylvania can we Americans now let the British or French become weaker, collapse, or change camp. In union with us they can quickly rise and become as great a source of strength, per capita, as are the people of our most populated states.

Already Britain and France are talking union, but they are too weak and inexperienced in federalism to succeed without us in it.. European union is too small a step to serve the purpose now—just as mere New England federation would have been too little in 1787. World federation, on the other hand is as impractical now as an attempt to federate not only the 13 states but their autocratic allies and the Indian nations would have been in 1787.

THERE IS A GOLDEN MEAN

Doing too little and attempting too much both lead to failure.. The politician takes the former course, the idealist the latter; the statesman like Washington, takes the golden mean.

The golden mean today is union of all the democracies around the Atlantic Ocean in a great union of the free. Together these few would have 91 per cent of the world's naval and merchant tonnage, decisive control of practically all its important raw materiels, the great bulk of its productive manhinery, nearly all its gold. They do more than two thirds of so-called world trade, and the major part of this they do among thmeselves..

The colossal power of their union would give it from the start the standing in the United Nations that the United States now has in the inter-American organization with all the safety this implies. With such power behind it the United Nations could work much better. It might even sceure peace in the world as well as the inter-American organization does in this hemisphere..

UNION AROUND ATLANTIC

Like the 13 states this new nuclear union round the north Atlantic would have a vast, rich area to develop; its west would lie to the south and cover two continents. Once we usceed in achieving union where it is least difficult, it can grow as did the one of 1789 until all mankind is brought into federation with it Meanwhile, what purpose union of the free would give to policy, what new hope and life it would give to freedom everywhere.

Such a union cannot of course be achieved in a day. But each of us can in a day, swing the helm of his own policy definitely toward union. The time is ripe for this change. Much has happened since union of the free was first proposed in 19... Such proposals need full reconsideration from time to time, for education and events can make yesterday's impossible practical today..

I submit the time has come to reconsider carefully the great advantages that lie in union of the free, the opportunity we now have to attain them and the best ways and means to move steadfastly toward union. The situation is one where a spark of leadership can produce astonishing results.

THE FIRST STEP

There are various ways of starting on the road to union of the free. But the nature of the first steps to be taken toward union is of secondary importance.. The important thing today is for us—each and all of us—to regain the old American sense of direction, to return to union of the free as the constant guiding purpose of all our policy.

March 4 also marked the anniversary of another great event that can give us hope. Appropriately enough the men who found the new world re-discovered Europe on that date in 1493. During the terrible storm that caused infinite labor and fear, that night, western Eruope ourst into the vision of Columbus and his men. And the people there ashore, he relates, were all the morning offering up prayers for them, and on their arrival—ran in crowds to see them wondering at their escape. So will it be with our union ship of state if we too, have courage.

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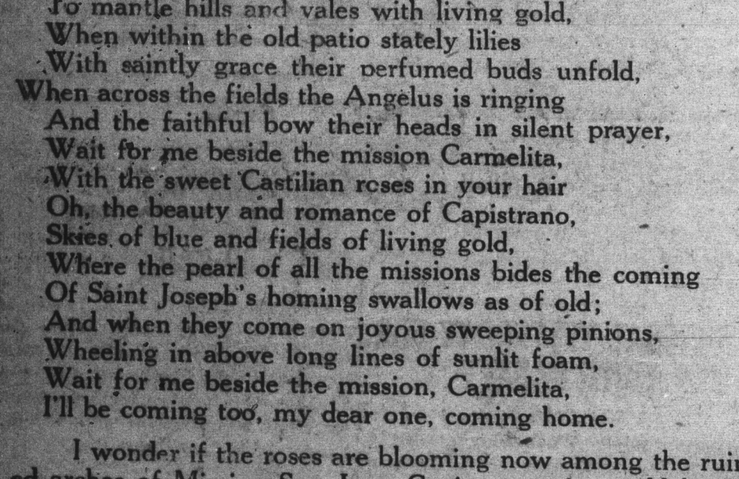

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